#### Remarks

#### Status of Claims

Claims 7 and 18 have been objected to for wording informalities.

Claims 3 to 4, 7 and 18 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Kulkarni in view of Thanh.

Claims 10 and 19 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) for obviousness over Kulkarni in view of Ikzkovitz.

## **Objections**

The claim objections have been addressed in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

# **Independent Claims**

The independent claims have each been amended in accordance with the Examiner's indication as to allowable subject matter. Claim 18 is a combination of previous claims 18 and 5. Claim 7 is a combination of previous claims 7 and 15. Claim 10 is a combination of previous claims 10 and 17. Claim 19 is a combination of previous claims 19 and 16.

New independent claim 20 has been added being a combination of previous claims 18 and 14 in accordance with the Examiner's indication as to allowable subject matter.

## **Dependent Claims**

Dependent claims 3, 4 and 14 are patentable not least on the basis that each depends on an allowable independent claim.

Claims 5, 15, 16 and 17 are canceled.

# Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, allowance of all the claims presently in the application is respectfully requested, as is passage to issuance of the application. If the Examiner should feel that the application is not yet in a condition for allowance and that a telephone interview would be useful, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney, **Jimmy Goo**, at 908-582-7886.

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